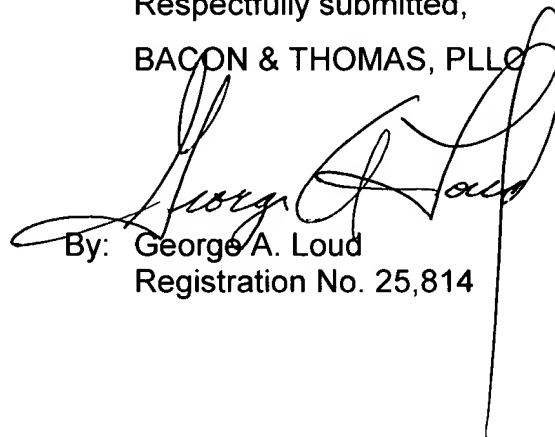


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REMARKS

Rejected claims 9 and 10 have now been canceled, leaving only allowed claims 3-5 still pending.. Accordingly, the application now appears to be in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,
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